SENATE BILL 2674

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 53 and Title 63, relative to prescription requirements.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

If a health care prescriber prescribes more than a five (5) day supply of opioids to a non-pregnant fertile woman, the prescriber shall inform the patient of the risk of fetal injury and neonatal abstinence syndrome in the event of pregnancy while on therapy. Prescribers are encouraged to recommend and assist the patient in obtaining voluntary long-acting reversible contraception as a primary method of contraception. Prescribers are also encouraged to advise the patient to use a secondary method of contraception. Secondary methods may include, but are not limited to, abstinence, condoms, or pills. Prescribers shall document any counseling pursuant to this section and the patient's reproductive life plan in the patient's medical record. If pregnancy does occur during treatment, the prescriber is encouraged to minimize fetal exposure as much as possible. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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